IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.BASANT

TUESDAY, THE 14TH AUGUST 2007 / 23RD SRAVANA 1929

Bail Appl..No. 4901 of 2007()

CRIME NO.50/07 OF ARYANAD EXCISE RANGE.

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: PETITIONER/ACCUSED

JAYACHANDRAN @ KANNAPPAN, S/O.OMANA,
SHEEJA BHAVAN, ANAKAYATHUMMOOLA,
THEVIYARUKUNNU, KATTAKKAKAM MURI,
ARYANAD VILLAGE.

BY ADV. SRI.T.A.UNNIKRISHNAN
SRI.K.SATHEESH KUMAR

RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA, REP. BY PUBLIC
PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF KERALA,
ERNAKULAM.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI. JAI GEORGE.

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 14/08/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

R. BASANT, J.

B.A. NO. 4901 of 2007

Dated this the 14th day of August, 2007

ORDER

Application for regular bail. The petitioner faces allegations under the Kerala Abkari Act. The petitioner was allegedly found to be in possession of 200 litres of Wash and the utensils for illicit distillation on 1/7/07. He was arrested and continues in custody from 3/7/07. The learned Public Prosecutor concedes that the petitioner has no history of any criminal antecedents.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner prays, the learned Public Prosecutor does not seriously oppose the said prayer on condition that the Investigator is granted reasonable further time to complete the investigation and I am satisfied that the petitioner can now be directed to be enlarged on bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions.

3. **In the result:**

(a) This application is allowed. The petitioner shall be released on bail on the following terms and conditions:

(i) The petitioner shall not be released from custody on the strength of this order prior to 21/8/07. The Investigator shall, in the meantime, make every endeavour to complete the investigation.

(ii) The petitioner shall execute a bond for Rs.75,000/- with two solvent sureties each for the like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate.

(iii) The petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation before the Investigating Officer on all Mondays and Fridays between 10 a.m. and 12 noon for a period of three months and thereafter as and when directed by the Investigating Officer in writing to do so.

(R. BASANT, JUDGE)

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